

CLAIMS

The invention is claimed as follows:

1. A device for use in conjunction with a mouth and an ear of a user, the device comprising:
 - 5 a vocal sound receiver;
 - a sound director coupled to the vocal sound receiver; and
 - an ear sound deliverer coupled to the sound director.
2. The device of Claim 1, wherein the vocal sound receiver, the sound
10 director and the ear sound deliverer are each entirely mechanical.
3. The device of Claim 1, wherein the ear sound deliverer includes a head engagement member.
- 15 4. The device of Claim 1, which includes at least one head securing member removably attached to the vocal sound receiver, the sound director or the ear sound deliverer.
- 20 5. The device of Claim 1, which includes a length adjustment assembly defined by an operative coupling between the sound director and the: (a) vocal sound receiver; or (b) ear sound deliverer.
6. The device of Claim 1, which includes a sound regulator operatively coupled to the vocal sound receiver, the sound director or the ear sound deliverer.
- 25 7. The device of Claim 1, which includes a cover coupled to the vocal sound receiver, the cover having a plurality of walls which define a plurality of openings.

8. A device for directing sound from a mouth of a vocalist to an ear of the vocalist, the device comprising:

a vocal sound receiver defining at least one opening;

a sound director having: (a) a first tubular portion coupled to the vocal
5 sound receiver, the first tubular portion defining at least one bend; (b) a second tubular
portion coupled to the first tubular portion; and (c) a third tubular portion coupled to
the second tubular portion, the third tubular portion defining at least one bend;

an ear sound deliverer coupled to the third tubular portion, the ear
sound deliverer defining at least one opening, the ear sound deliverer having a head
10 engagement member; and

at least one head securing member coupled to the sound director.

9. The device of Claim 8, wherein the sound director is a one-piece
member.

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10. The device of Claim 8, wherein the vocal sound receiver, the sound
director and the ear sound deliverer are each entirely mechanical.

11. The device of Claim 8, wherein the head engagement member has a
20 perimeter portion which encompasses the ear of the vocalist.

12. The device of Claim 8, wherein the head securing member includes an
elongated head portion engagement member.

25 13. The device of Claim 8, wherein the sound director includes a fastener
which enables the head securing member to be removably attached to the sound
director.

14. The device of Claim 8, wherein the device has an interchangeable left
30 ear orientation and right ear orientation.

15. The device of Claim 14, wherein the sound director includes: (a) a first fastener which enables the head securing member to be removably attached to a first side of the sound director in the left ear orientation; and (b) a second fastener which enables the head securing member to be removably attached to a second side of the sound director in the right ear orientation.

16. The device of Claim 8, wherein the vocal sound receiver includes a cover which extends across the opening of the vocal sound receiver.

17. The device of Claim 16, wherein the cover has a plurality of walls which define a plurality of openings.

18. The device of Claim 16, wherein the cover has a porous structure.

19. The device of Claim 8, wherein the sound director includes a length adjuster which enables a distance between the vocal sound receiver and the ear sound deliverer to be adjusted.

20. The device of Claim 19, wherein the second tubular portion has a length adjustment zone.

21. The device of Claim 20, wherein the first tubular portion has a size relative to a size of the second tubular portion so that the first tubular portion slidably receives the second tubular portion.

22. The device of Claim 20, wherein the first tubular portion has a size relative to a size of the second tubular portion so that the first tubular portion is slidably received by the second tubular portion.

23. The device of Claim 20, wherein the first tubular portion or the second tubular portion includes a length adjustment control member.

24. The device of Claim 8, wherein the vocal sound receiver, the sound director or the ear sound deliverer includes at least one sound regulator.

25. The device of Claim 24, wherein the sound regulator has a plurality of settings for controlling different levels of transmission of the sound to the ear sound deliverer.

26. A method for directing vocal sound from a vocalist to at least one ear of the vocalist, the method comprising:

- 10 (a) enabling the vocalist to secure a device to a head portion of the vocalist;
- (b) using a first portion of the device to receive the vocal sound from the vocalist;
- (c) using a second portion of the device to direct a portion of the vocal sound towards a third portion of the device; and
- 15 (d) using the third portion of the device to direct the vocal sound to an ear of the vocalist.

27. The method of Claim 26, wherein step (a) includes the step of providing a unitary device which includes the first portion, the second portion and the third portion.

28. The method of Claim 26, which includes the step of enabling the vocalist to adjust a length of the device.

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29. The method of Claim 26, which includes the step of enabling the vocalist to adapt the device for delivering the vocal sound to a right ear or a left ear of the user.

30. The method of Claim 26, which includes the step of enabling the vocalist to regulate a characteristic of the vocal sound which is transmitted from the first portion of the device to the third portion of the device.

5 31. A method of assisting a user in hearing a voice of the user, the method comprising:

- (a) enabling the user to install a mechanical head set on a head portion of the user;
- (b) enabling the user to input a vocal sound into the mechanical
10 head set;
- (c) using the mechanical head set to receive the vocal sound; and
- (d) using the mechanical head set to direct a portion of the vocal sound to at least one ear of the user.

15 32. The method of Claim 31, wherein step (a) includes the step of providing a unitary mechanical head set.

20 33. The method of Claim 31, which includes the step of enabling the user to adjust a length of the mechanical head set.

 34. The method of Claim 31, which includes the step of enabling the user to adapt the mechanical head set for delivering the vocal sound to a right ear or a left ear of the user.

25 35. The method of Claim 31, which includes the step of enabling the user to regulate a characteristic of the vocal sound which is directed to an ear of the user.